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25X1 7. [] Met with Mr. Ralph Preston, House Appropriations Committee staff, and briefed him on the meetings of 21 and 22 April with Mr. Hebert and members of the House Armed Services Committee concerning intelligence monies in the Defense authorization bill. Mr. Preston commented that the tenor of the meetings in his opinion reflect the growing mood of the House of Representatives. We may well see drastic cuts this year in Defense Department support for free world forces.

25X1 8. [] Talked to Mr. George C. Denney, INR, and Mr. John Leahy, Legislative Liaison, Department of State, about the Ervin Bill. Mr. Leahy plans to meet with Employee Benefits Subcommittee staff people the first of the week. The State Department representative who will testify before the Subcommittee on 27 May will probably be Mr. Howard Mace, Deputy Director of Personnel. Mr. Leahy will keep us advised.

25X1 9. [] Talked to Mr. Wayne Birdsall, Secretary to the reporting firm Ward & Paul, and made the necessary arrangements for the secure handling of the transcripts for the Director's briefing of the Church Subcommittee on 5 May.

25X1 10. [] Mrs. A. G. Schultz, in the office of Representative Edward Hutchinson (R., Mich.), called in connection with the Representative's interest in the FBIS area books. It was agreed that we would send the Representative several of the area books on a trial basis so that he can determine his interest in receiving them on a regular basis. FBIS will send the Latin America, Asia and Pacific, and Communist China Daily Reports to Mr. Hutchinson's office for a one week period and Mrs. Schultz will let us know the result.

25X1 11. [] In response to his interest in Agency views on the Ervin bill, I hand-carried to Vince Rakestraw, on the staff of Senator William B. Saxbe (R., Ohio), a copy of our briefing package on this.

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